INTERESTING LETTER. The following letter is copied from the Aurora. It will be read with unusual interest, if the facts it contains are correctly stated, the presence of mind, courage, and skill displayed by Capt. Hickman, demand the applause of his country-. N. F. Com. Adv. EXTRACT TO THE EDITOR.

" Detroit, Nov. 2, 1815. "An affair took place at this post

in the month of Dec. 1814, in re-gard to the hostile savages, which deserves to be recorded. Detroit with its dependencies, was at that time commanded by capt Harris H. Hickman, of the 17th regiment of infantry. During the preceding autumn, several instances had occurred of our citizens being butchered and their property pundered by The savages in the vicinity, and almost under the guns of the fort ;and it was ascertnined "afterwards, that in some instances these depredations were committed by Indians professing friendship, and receiving rations from the public stores. One instance which led to the affair about to be detailed, was this :- A poor man by the name of M'Millan, a itizen of Detroit, together with his little son, a by about twelve years old, had gone to the common, back of the town, to seek their cow, the captain requested Mr. Larned and proceeded to the edge of the to entertain the Indians with a talk forest, about one mile distant, when suddenly a party of savages rose from their ambush, fired upon, killed, and scalped the father, and pursued and made captive of the son. The body of the father was soon after found, but no tidings of the sen reached his disconsolate mother until, December, Towards the latter end of that month, a band of savages, consisting of upwards of one hundred, who had been uniformly hostile during the war, not being in a situation to receive provisions from their white allies, and being pressed by hunger, determined to visit Detroit with insidious professions of friendship, and to bring with them little M'Millan, in hopes by this means of being fed through the winter. This band approached within two miles of the fort, and stopped at the house of Mr. Knaggs, an Indian interpreter. Mr. Knaggs immediately rode to town, and informed capt. !lickmen. the commanding officer of their arrival. The capt. caused young ters, and examined him is the presence of one or two gentlemen, as to the murder of his father, and the circumstances attending his own captivity.

"The little boy stated, in substance, that when his father and himself were near the edge of the woods, suddenly a report of guns like a "platoon fire," to use his own words, was heard; his father fell. He (the boy) attempted to escape by running, but was pursued and taken by an Indiab on horse-back; that he was the conducted a considerable distance into the forest, where they halted at the camp of a large number of Indians.

"He gave a long history of their travels from one camp' and village to another, of the ill treatment he received, particularly from the squaws, who always beat him when he was not very adroit in procuring them wood and water. He was as-ked whether either of the Indians that fired upon his father, was with the band at Mr. Knaggs, he answered there were 2, and that the name of one was "Na-ba-wa," and the other was his father, though he did not know the father's name, he could recognize the two Indians. Captain Hickman requested Mr. Larned, superintendent of Indian affairs, and captain Audrain, of the Michigan rangers, to proceed with him to the house of Mr. Knaggs, where the Indians were assembled, taking with them little M'Millan. They found the Indians to the number of 103 or 104, ass wheel in a large room, smoking their pipes.

After the usual preliminaries, the Indians stated in their usual way, that they were disposed to be at peace with their great father the president; that they were in great distress for provisions, and requesting assistance, &c.

Title M'Millan, and desired him to point out "Na-ba-wa," and his father. The little boy pointed to one and said, "that is Na-ba-wa," and to another and said, "that is his father.". The interpreters then enquired of the Indians whether the two pointed out, were father and son; to which the replied in stated to the Indiano, the as an evi-

dence of their friendly dispositions towards the United States, he de-sired they would deliver up to him the two Indians pointed out, and any other three of their band as hostages for the security of their future good behaviour .-- When this was explained to them, a profound silence was observed on their part. After a considerable pause, waiting for an answer, they were asked whether they intended to give any -still a profound silence. At length captain Hickman told them that he demanded of them the five Indians. After some pause the Indians began to speak in a low voice amongst themselves, which continued for some time, when the interpreters discovered that they were proposing to bear off the commanding officer and several others, there being not more than seven or eight white persons present. Hickman immediately directed capt. Audrain to mount his horse and proceed instantly to the fort and order capt. Holder, of the 17th, with a detachment of 100 regulars, from the garrison, to surround the house of mr. Knaggs without delay. This order was promptly obeyed, and executed with astonishing despatch and secrecy, it being at the time an hour after night & very dark. Whilst this order was executing

or speech of some length, in order to amuse them and gain time. An Ind:an is always disposed to listen. and mr. Larned amused them with a speech of a very conciliatory nature, calculated for the occasion. One of their speakers made a reply of a very insolent nature, not dreaming of what was going on out of doors. When he was about concluding, the signal was given to capt. Hickman, that the house was surrounded by the thoops, formed in a hollow square, facing inwards. with charged bayonets-The capt. then informed the Indians that he wished to make a speech and procured of mr. Knaggs a lantern, requested some of them to follow him and leading them round the house with in the square and pointing to the bayonets, observing, "there is my speech," whilst the other Indians with astonishment, viewed the scene from within. They then returned into the house, and after some silence, the savage who just before had made the insolent speech, addressed his fellow prison ers in a most altered tone, acknow. ledging the perfidy and treachery they had used towards the Ameri cans, complaining that they had been misled and deceived by the British, and stating a resolution. in future to observe the most inviolable faith and friendship with their great father the President of the United States. The five Indians required were then placed under a guard and sent to confinement in town. The remainder of the band was informed by capt. Hickman. that they must depart the next day, and not to be found near any post or settlement in the territory during the war; and that should it be found that they should commit any depredation on persons or property of an American citizen, retaliation would most undoubtedly be made on their brethren who were detained. They received some provisions, departed, and were not heard of afterwards; and no hostile act on the part of the savages, was afterwards committed in this territory during, the war. I have understood that it was the intention of the captain to have detained the

THE NAVY.

whole band as prisoners, but the

state of provisions would not admit

of his feeding them. .

Report of the Secretary of the Navy to the Senate relative to the gradual and permanent increase of the Navy.

The importance of a permanent Naval Establishment appears to be sanctioned by the voice of the nation; and, I have a satisfaction in stating, that the means of its gradual increase are completely within the reach of our national resources, independently of any foreign country. The materials for building and equipping ships of war are all as command. Steps have been taken to ascertain the best growth and quantities of timber for naval construction, preparatory to contracts and purchases. The want of a Mould Loft for the naval constructor to lay out the moulds by which the timber is to be cut and shaped, previously to transportation, has delayed the completion of arrangements for an adequate supply. building has been erected at the Navy-Yard in this city; for that purpose, ald will apon-be finished, when the bisiness will progress.

Gannon fundries, manufactories of sheet capper, cordage, canvas, and the medianical branches are in a state to furnish the several supplies which may be required.

The commerce of the United States, increasing with the resources and population of the country, will require a commensurate protection, which a naw alone can afford: and the experience derived from the active and vig rous employment of a limited navy during the period of the late was, has demonstrated its efficient utility.

I do therefore, with confidence, recommend at annual increase of our navy, of one ship of the rate of 74 guns ; two frigates of the first class, rated at 44 gnns; and two sloops of war which can be built with the surphsage of the smaller timber, and with a great saving in that material.

The act to increase the navy, passed January 2a, 1813, authorized the building of " four ships, to rate not less than 74 guns; and six frigates, to rate 44 guns each." This act has been partly carried into effect, by building three ships of the rate of 74 guns, and three frigates of 44 guns, in the Atlantic ports; the . 1 . sidue of the appropriation, under that act, was applied to the building of large ships and frigates upon Lake Ontario.

The concentration of our navy in one or two of the principal ports of the United States, where the depth of water is sufficient for the conveniene ingres and egress of the larger vessels, will necessarily lead to the enlargement of the navy-yards at such places, with docks for repairs and the collection of all important materials, for the arman out and equipments of the different classes of vessels, in order to bring them into active service, upon any emergency, with the advantage of combined force.

A general system for the gradual ermanent increase of the navy, combining all the various objects connected with an enlarged naval establishment, such as building docks, and extending the accommodations of navy-yards and arsenals of general deposit, will form the subject of a more entensive report, to be laid before congress the present session.

THE PEACE ESTABLISHMENT. The whole number of Officers composing the Military Peace Estab-lishment of the United States, 23 at present organized under the provisions of the act of March 3d and regulations of May 17, 1815, is as follows:

2 Major Generals 4 Aids to ditto. Captains of the

line 4 Brigadier Generals

4 Aids to ditto, subalterns of the line

Adjutant and Inspector General 2 Adjutant Generals
1 Quarter Master Generals

4 Deputy Quarter Master Gene. rals

4 Brig. Inspectors, officers of the line

6 Hospital Surgeons 15 Hospital Surgeon's Mates

2 Garrison Surgeons

20 Garrison Surgeon's Mates

2 Judge Advocates Chaplains

1 Apothecary General 2 Assistant Apothecaries 1 Commissary General of pur-

2 Deputy Commissaries 6 Assistant Commissaries

chase

1 Pay Master of the Army

2 Deputy Pav Master Generals 2 Assist. Depy. Pay Master Generals Engineers, Ordinance, Artillery, In-

fanlry and Rifle Regiment and Corps.

12 Colonels

16 Lieutenant Colonels 17 Majors

116 Captains 116 First Lieutenante

148 Second Lieuterants 42 Third Lieutenauts

10 Regimental Surgeons 19 Regimental Surgeon's Mates

Of the above Subalterns the following may be in the Staff. 14 Adjutants

14 Quarter Masters-10 Pay Masters 32 Conductors of Artillery.

For Sale, A Negro II Children.—The Woman, with her three an is a good plan tation servant. Enquire

Land for Sale

ry court of Maryland, will be exposed to public sale at St. Leonard's Creek town, in Calverts county, on Monday the right and title of Dr. Thomas Bourne, to the following tracts or par-

cels of land, lying in Calvert county.

One tract usually known by the name of Drum Point, lying at the mouth of Patuxent river ; containing abont 300 acres. On this tract there is a store house and convenient dwelling house; the situation is a good one for a -There is also a large quantity of valuable wood on this land.

One other tract of land called Rausby's Hall, lying on Patuxent river, a-bout one mile below Drum Point; containing about 260 acres. On this land there is a commodious dwelling, with all necessary out-buildings.—This land is fertile and adapted to the culture of Corn, Wheat or Tobacco.

One other tract being part of a tract of land called Elkton Head Manor, lying on the Chesapeak bay, about five miles from the mouth of Patuxent river, containing about one thousand a cres .- On this land there is a large two story brick dwelling house completely finished in a very handsome state; on this tract also there is an unusual quantity of wood and fine timber .- It is said to be the best of any tract of land in the country, and the timber and wood is so situated as to be carried to market conveniently.

The terms of sale are twelve months credit, the purchasers to give bonds with good security for the payment of the purchase money.

Thomas H. Wilkinson, Trustee.

Calvert county.

N. B. The creditors of the late Dr Thomas Bourne, are hereby wained and directed to exhibit their claims with the vouchers thereof, to the auditors of the chancery court within six months from the day of sale above mentioned.

Dec. 21 2 T. H. Wilkinson.

50 Dollars Reward.

Ranaway from the subscriber, living in Anne-Arundel County, Maryland near Queen Anne, on the 10th inst. a likely, light mulatto lad, called Charles Jackson, about 5 feet, 8 or 9 Inches high; had on when he absconded, a blue round Jacket, trimmed with red. dark blue pantaloons very much worn, white domestic cotton shirt, a new furr hat, and boots, he has also a variety of other clothing with him, which is unknown -He is an artful fellow, and as he reads and writes very well, no doubt will forge a pass to answer his purpose. The above reward, will be given, for securing him in any Gool, to that I get him again, or 60 Dollars

if brought to me. Dec. 21. William G. Sanders.

N. B. All masters of vessels, and o-

thers, are forwarned harhouring or carrying off said fellow, at their peril. W. G. S.

Notice.

There will be a petition laid before the General Assembly of Maryland for a law to open a large and commo-dious road from Magruder's tavern in Prince-George's County, (near Judge Duvalls.) the most convenient and direct rout through part of said county, and Anne-Arundel county, to the widow Cissel's Tavern on the road leading from Annapolis to Baltimore, and for a law to enable a company to exact for a law to enable a company to erectand build a commodious bridge across the Patapsco river, at a narrow place thereof, not many kundred yards below a Ferry on said river called Holland's Ferry, now better known by Sweetsers Ferry; and also to open a large and commodious road the most convenient and direct rout, through a part of Prince-George's county aforesaid, from the said Magruder's Tavern, to intersect a road in said county, known by the name of the Annavolis road, in the neighbourhood of Fielder Magruder,s l'avern on said road—and to erect two bridges across the branches of the Patuxent river that is in the rout beween the aforesaid Magruder's and Cissels Taverns - And also for a large and commodious road to be opened a-long down on the north side of the Patapsco river from the place of the abutment of the before mentioned bridge to be built across the said river as aforesaid, to a point on the said river called Moale's Point, and from that place to enable the before mentioned compamy to erect and build a bridge across the mouth of the creek, or branch of the said river, called the western branch, to the Ferry point on the north east side of the month of said creek or B Decr. 14

To be Rented,

That commodious and spacious building on Church Street, formerly occu-pied by the late Mrs. Davidson as a boarding house. For terms apply at

Groceries &c. Jamaica Spirit, Cogu ac Brandy, Peach Brandy

Chiret Java Coffee Hyson Young Hyson Southong
Hyson Skin
Leaf and Lump Su-

Holland Gin

Brown Sugars Chocolate fir second qualities Molasses Almonds, Currants. Mustard, pepper, Starch, Sait petre,

Rice, Mould, Dipt, and Spermacetti Can-

Also an assortment of Crockery Wi LIKEWISE Oils and paints, shoes, and we

Oils and paints, snoes, and reproof boots, traces and leading in best twill'd bagging, Jameison's Creers, Balker's Flour, Superfine do. Gpowder and Shot, Battle powder cannisters, Brooms, and paint brush cannisters, Brooms, and paint brush cannisters. castings of different kinds, call bran.

With a variety of other articles tedious to enumerate. All of wii able terms.

By the Committee of Claims. The Committee of Claims will very day, during the present season rom 9 o'clock in the morning will in the afternoon.

By order IVm. 7. Lambdin, til Dec. 14.

By the Committee of Grievances a Courts of Jutsice.

The Committee of Grievanes to Courts of Justice will sit erery & during the present session, o'clock in the morning untill 3 in the afternoon. Decr. 14.

NOTICE.

That the Levy Court of Anne Are del County will meet in the City Annapolis on Monday the 15th day January next, for the purpose of se tling with the supervisors of the palic roads, the Inspectors of Tobac at the different warehouses, and a receiving and adjusting all chin against the said county for the pu 1815.

Win S. Green, Ch.

For Sale. subscribers Farm, ner A napolis, Parses, Mules and Catte; mong the Cartle are two yoke of an and several minh cows.

My manager a the farm will the them to any person inclined to pe chase, and inform them of the price. If not sold at private bey will be ered at Public Sale on the 29th this month.

Dec. 21, 1815.

TAVERN.

Rezin D. Baldwin.

Respectfully informs the public, the has opened a tavern and Boarday House, at that well known standers pied for many years by Capt. Jame Thomas. Its vicinity to the Sad House will at all times render it he most convenient resort to strages having business to transact in any the public offices. Those who may be inclined to patronize the establishment are assured that the best accommodations are provided, anothat the mountainty attention is all be public his guests. This establishment has been always the resort of grades from the Eastern Shore, it is boat that they will continue to fracetiff and so far as attention, good fire, as moderate rates, can support as moderate rates, can support as a known, he pledges himself they not he wanting. Recedes taken in Rezin D. Baldwin. known, he pledges himself they not be wanting. Boarders taken by day, week, month or year, and hor taken at livery.
Dec. 14, 1815.

Public Sale.

By circue of an order from the orphic Cours of Anne-Arundel County, to subscribe will offer, at Public Sale, a Friday the 10th of December, instal the residence of the subscriber, on the Head of South river, the personal tate of Wm. Watso, late of Augerrandel County, december, Terms alle-for all sums over the cuty dollars. sale-for all sums over

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JONAS GREEN.

Rose and pain a Peai Harley, Album, Alsping Cinger, Rise, Cheese, Buner Sal ad Uil, in hi and flasks, Fine & Coare

Herrings, First quality Cpl Cyrier Vinegar, Applea by the Ea Glee, &c. &c

> AMERICA, al and singular to whom these P sents shall come, greeting WHEREAS, a Treaty of Per

Amity between the Unit ins of America, and His Hip o Omar Bashaw, Dey of of was concluded at Alglers, thirtieth day of June laste ben Decatur and William St Gusens of the United Stat the part of the United Stat d the said Omar Bashaw, Bey gers, and was duly signed and by the said Parties, will may is in the words following

maty of Peace and Amily, concl.
el between the United States America, and His Highness On Bashaw, Dey of Algiers. Article the First.

There shall be, from the conc on of this treaty, a firm, inviola etween the President and the ess of the United States of Ar nd Subjects of the Regency lgiers in Barbary on the other arties, on the terms of the m rored nations; and if either pa nion any particular favour college in navigation or co mmon to the other party, fre her mations ; but when the gr conditional, it shall be at the of the contracting parties mept alter or reject such cor a conducive to their respect

terests. Article the Second. It is distinctly , understood seen the contracting parties, it is tribute, either as bienuial and or moder any other; form me whatever, shall ever be used by the Dey and Regenc Opers from the United State merica, on any protext whater

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